

APPEALS TO PATRIOTISM

Of Coal Operators and Manufacturers, When It Might As Well Be Directed to As Many Highwaymen.

President Warns Against Ex-tortion, but Promises Just Prices

Condemns the Ship Owners of the Country For Maintaining a Schedule of Ocean Freight Rates Which, He Says, Has Placed Unsurpassable Obstacles in the Path of the Government.

Washington, July 12.—President Wilson, in a statement addressed to coal operators and manufacturers, gives assurances that just prices will be paid by the government and the public during the war, but warns that no attempt to extort unusual profits will be tolerated by the authorities.

"Your patriotism," said the president's appeal, "is of the same self denying stuff as the patriotism of the men dead and maimed on the fields of France, or it is no patriotism at all. Let us never speak, then, of profits and patriotism in the same sentence. I shall expect every man who is not a slacker to be at my side throughout this great enterprise. In it no man can win honor who thinks of himself."

The president declared there must be but one price for the government and for the public. He expressed confidence that business generally will be found loyal to the last degree and that the problem of war-time prices, which he declared will "mean victory or defeat," will be solved rightly through patriotic co-operation.

In unmeasured terms, however, Mr. Wilson condemned the ship owners of the country for maintaining a schedule of ocean freight rates which has placed "almost insuperable obstacles" in the path of the government. "The fact is," he asserted, "that those who have fixed war freight rates have taken the most effective means in their power to defeat the armies engaged against Germany."

Coal production and other industries for whose products the government has negotiated price agreements are not taken up in detail by the president, his appeal dealing only with the general principles involved in the determination of war prices.

PEACE ONLY ON PRUSSIAN TERMS

Hollweg Announces Position of His Government

Berne, July 11.—"Peace without annexation is not acceptable to Germany. Germany can win if she holds out," Chancellor Von Bethmann Hollweg so declared in a speech before the main committee of the reichstag. "I consider it my duty to remain as chancellor for the protection of the fatherland," Hollweg solemnly declared. "Peace without annexation is not an acceptable peace to Germany. I can not declare our terms."

The chancellor's appearance before the main committee was called forth by demands of the clericals that he outline in more detail exactly how the German government stood on the Socialists' platform of "no annexation and no indemnities."

The chancellor assailed the patriotism of Herr Erzberger, the leader who, on Saturday, precipitated the whole political crisis in Germany by suddenly announcing his determination not to support the government further until Hollweg detailed the empire's peace aims and announced immediate fulfillment of electoral reforms pledged.

The tension of the political situation in Berlin is still intense. The imperial chancellor, one report says, will retain his post, but a German paper says he has promised the resignations of Foreign Minister Zimmermann and Vice Chancellor Helfferich. Changes in the Prussian cabinet are expected.

Cole Gets Captaincy. Columbus, July 9.—Speechmaking throughout the state in behalf of enlistment of young men in the national guard has earned for Ralph D. Cole of Findlay a captaincy in the mounted headquarters police of the Ohio division. Cole formerly was senior major in the Second Infantry, Ohio national guard. Of equal rank in the same branch of service will be Walter Van Giesen, Columbus police sergeant, who holds an enviable record in apprehending criminals.

WAR DRAFTING AGAIN DELAYED

Many States Have Not Completed Their Organization.

BAKER MAY DO THE DRAWING

Secretary Makes It Plain That the Task Will Be Assigned to a Thoroughly Responsible Individual—Conduct of the Draft to Be Above Board—Census Estimates Based on Draft Registration.

Washington, July 12.—An official high in authority will attend the drawing of numbers in the lottery that will determine who among the nation's ten million young men shall fight for their country.

Secretary of War Baker, after a conference with the president, announced that he himself might do the drawing. In any case he made it very plain that the man who draws the numbers will be a thoroughly responsible individual.

The war department does not intend to leave any loophole for criticism of unfairness of its conduct of the draft. Members of the senate and house military affairs committee will be invited to be present at the drawing.

The drawing may not be held until next week. The states are not completing organization of their district exemption boards as rapidly as war department officials had hoped. Only twenty-one states have reported their organization complete, although in most others only a few districts are missing. The drawing will not be made until the lists of the country are complete.

A so-called revised census estimate for the entire country, compiled on the basis of the draft registration, will be used for determining apportionments. Each city, county or state must furnish two-thirds of 1 per cent of its paper population, according to the new estimates which were made for the purpose of equalizing the draft rather than to represent accurate population totals.

Pleas for exemption of any man need not be made by him, but may be entered by a wife, other dependent, employer or any other third person, the provost marshal general's office explained in a statement. It also explained that any registered man absent from his home district need not return for physical examination, but may be ordered by his home board to be examined elsewhere.

John Meyers, of Wabash, charged with selling intoxicating liquor to Andy Strable, a habitual drunkard, was arraigned before Mayor Scranton Monday morning. Meyers entered a plea of not guilty, but the burden of evidence was against him in the examination, and his honor with much propriety handed him a fine of \$100 and costs and thirty days in the county jail. Personal liberty got a rather hard jolt.

Mr. and Mrs. David Whitney, of Mendon, were in the city yesterday looking after some business matters, the former paying The Democrat a pleasant call.

SMOOT AMENDMENT AGAIN IN FOOD BILL

Committee Washes Its Hands of the Prohibition Issue.

Washington, July 12.—Considerable progress toward a compromise on food control legislation was made in the senate, but several important features are still to be worked out and the whole outlook remains uncertain.

On the floor perfunctory debate continued on the administration bill, which leaders virtually have agreed to abandon, but in the agriculture committee such headway was made with consideration of Senator Gore's substitute measure that members said final committee approval was withheld only because of minor details.

The committee, however, virtually washed its hands of the troublesome prohibition issue, voting to put into the substitute the same regulations which the senate already has approved. These would prohibit manufacture or importation of distilled liquors and would also provide for government acquisition of all liquor now in bond at cost, plus 10 per cent.

The latter provision embodied in the Smoot amendment has been under repeated attack, both from wets and dries, since its adoption. Whether the committee's action on that point would be satisfactory to the senate or will reopen the whole prohibition fight is problematical. Some changes were made in the Smoot provision in order to meet criticism regarding its constitutionality, and committee members hoped this would quiet its opponents.

CORN PRICE FIXED

Chicago Board of Trade Directors Meet and Take Action. Chicago, July 12.—Directors of the Chicago board of trade fixed a maximum price of \$1.28 for the December and May (1918) deliveries of corn. No action was taken as to September corn.

A meeting that lasted three hours behind closed doors preceded the action of the directors. After adjournment a formal notice was given out telling of the course adopted, but no explanation was offered. According to an official of the board, the establishment of a new maximum price for the December delivery and for all later options was needed to bring trading conditions into harmony with the government war policy of preventing undue speculation and unwarranted high cost to consumers. In taking such a measure the directors were said to feel that more drastic steps were averted, including the possible closing of the board of trade.

GO AHEAD WITH ROAD BUILDING

[Ottawa Sentinel.]

Hon. Clinton Cowen, State Highway Commissioner, has assured Ohio Grangers that road building interests will not be neglected. He has written a letter to the Marion County Grange to the effect that the interests of the rural community shall not be forgotten or side-tracked. He thinks good roads are even more necessary in war time than peace. Mr. Cowen will vigorously oppose any attempt to take money paid into the State and County Treasury for good roads, to be used for any other purpose than to build or repair roads. He thinks all road officials should go ahead and spend the road money on the roads and not let it remain idle in vaults as a temptation for some one to want to spend it for something else.

UNCONSCIOUS TWO DAYS AS RESULT OF A FALL

Tom Groves, aged 45 years, residing on a farm north of this city, sustained injuries last Friday night when he fell a distance of ten feet from the hay mow of his barn to the ground. Mr. Groves was throwing down some hay when he in some manner slipped and fell through the opening to the floor. He was found some time later by members of the family, who became alarmed at his absence, in an unconscious state. He was taken to the house and a doctor immediately called. Upon examination the physician found Mr. Groves to be in a precarious condition, suffering with internal injuries. He remained in an unconscious condition until Sunday, and since that time has been rapidly improving.

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PLAY AT ST. MARYS SUNDAY

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WEEKLY WAR REVIEW

According to Petrograd advices General Brusiloff is pushing his offensive on the Russian front with great energy. He has begun an attack in the region of Pinsk 150 miles north of Galicia, within which the forward movement had previously been confined, and is attacking with success in the region northwest of Stanislaw, southwest of Lemberg.

Russia's Galician campaign is meeting with a vigorous Austro-German defense and admittedly the Russians have been held up in further attempts to advance against Lemberg, in the Konchyl region. Russians occupied three Teutonic lines, following desperate charges, but were unable to hold the ground gained.

On the western front heavy artillery engagements featured the week. Infantry movements developed in Belgium, where a sharp thrust by the British carried their line forward slightly in the neighborhood of Wytschaete. Berlin reported two French attacks in the Champagne district, from Mont Carnillet to the Hochberg. The French penetrated the German lines on each occasion, but both times were driven out by counter attacks.

Attacks by the crown prince against the Chemin-des-Dames lines were repulsed, Paris reports.

A daring air raid on the city of London was an event of the week. A German aeroplane squadron consisting of more than twenty machines, shelled the most congested parts of London. It is officially announced that at least 50 persons were killed and more than 140 wounded. The destruction of property was serious. Three machines were brought down by the

British air defense squadron.

Petrograd announced on July 9 that the Russians captured villages and important positions to the south and west of Halez, the key to Lemberg. More than 7,000 men, 181 officers, 18 guns and many machine guns were taken from the Austro-Germans. The Russian attacks northwest of Stanislaw continues.

Along the Mesopotamian-Persian frontier the Russian troops have evacuated several towns in the mountains, including Khanlikin, on the Diale river, west of Kermanshah.

Petrograd on July 10 reported the capture of the city of Halez, in Galicia, sixty-three miles southeast of Lemberg, the immediate objective of the Russians. A number of prisoners and a large amount of military stores were captured.

The French again checked German attempts to break through the Chemin-des-Dames line.

Berlin announced July 11 the capture of 1,300 British prisoners in the penetration of 800 yards along a front of 1,400 yards, in Belgium, between Nieuport and the North sea. Bridges spanning the Yser river were destroyed. The German effort is regarded as another attempt to reach Dunkirk or Calais.

British airmen bombarded the Turkish fleet in the Golden Horn; also the city of Constantinople. Several warships were damaged and the Turkish war office hit.

Fourteen British merchant vessels of over 1,600 tons were sunk the last week in comparison with fifteen the previous week. Under 1,600 tons three were lost, a decrease of two.

LADS NOT WAITING TO BE DRAFTED

Do you know your number? The local registration board has completed the task of renumbering the registration cards and the names and numbers of all registered men of the county are now on the bulletin board at the court house for public inspection.

Joe Meyers, who since completing a course of civil engineering in the O. S. U. several years ago, has served as one of the efficient engineers in the County Surveyor's office, left the first of the week, for Columbus, where he enlisted in the First Division of the Engineering Corps.

Joe is a prince of a fellow, a young man of rare intelligence and there is no doubt that he will prove his worth in doing his bit.

Robert TouVelle, son of Ex-Congressman W. E. TouVelle, and who this spring completed his courses in law and successfully passed the bar examination, also accompanied Mr. Meyers to Columbus. Bob intends to let his fate to the recruiting officer and serve his country in whatever branch of service they think him best suited.

Robert has a host of friends in this city, who wish him the best of luck in the service of Uncle Sam.

Bronson Gilbert, who enlisted several months ago in the State Cavalry, received his papers yesterday to report at Columbus barracks next Sunday morning. Bronson apprised us that the company he enlisted in, has been changed to a regiment of Field Artillery.

"Bud" Hartzell, who some weeks ago enlisted in the same company as Gilbert, received his orders to report Sunday.

Wm. Woods, who enlisted some weeks ago will report for duty next Sunday.

Carl Werts, a Mendon boy, was among the recruits at Lima Tuesday to enter the naval service, and is now at Cincinnati. He didn't wait for the draft, but took the opportunity to choose the field

most to his liking. Many other boys from Celina and vicinity are taking advantage of the opening in the Second Regiment, O. N. G., which lacks many men of being full. It is made up of Northwestern Ohio boys, and they will undoubtedly find more congenial company than chancing it with the draft, for they will then be placed anywhere, without the privilege of even designating the state unit with which they serve.

Veterinary Surgeon Ralph Schlenker, of this city, received a commission the first of the week, appointing him as Second Lieutenant in the Officers Reserve Corps.

He has not been informed as to when he is to report, but is making all preparations for a hasty departure if necessary.

Dr. Schlenker is one of the best veterinarians in the county and as his services are voluntary he is to be heartily commended for giving up his large practice to serve Uncle Sam.

BRACE OF ACCIDENTS

While playing with several other children last Sunday evening the little six year old son of Charles Clifford, this city, fell from the porch sustaining a broken arm.

The little fellow was taken to the Otis Hospital, where the injured member was given attention.

John Grimm, driving a Fort, and accompanied by a party of friends, while returning from Lima, early last Sunday morning ran the machine into the ditch.

The machine was pretty badly damaged but the occupants all escaped serious injury.

James Andrews, 15 year old son of W. T. Andrews, who resides about a mile and a half south of town, dislocated his right shoulder when he fell from a horse last Sunday evening.

The lad was doing a few circus stunts when the accident happened. He jumped on the horses back, and fell off the other side.

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FORT SEES CHANCE FOR BETTER TRAIN SERVICE

[Ft. Recovery Journal.] Another change in the schedule of L. R. & W. passenger trains is unofficially announced to go into effect Sunday, July 22. The service will be much more convenient, especially for Ft. Recovery. The following schedule is not official, but will be found approximately correct: West-bound, 10:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. East-bound, 3:45 p.m. and 10:50 a.m.

RED CROSS WORK GIVEN A BOOST

The work of organizing Mercer County in Red Cross work progressed a step farther at the meeting Monday evening when the executive board was chosen. The members include:

George Hill, Rockford. Henry Synen, Coldwater. S. K. Copeland, Center tp. W. R. Lewis, Rockford. Otis Monroe, Montezuma. W. E. Wilson, Ft. Recovery. Dr. Schirack, St. Henry. John Wilson, Hopewell tp. Warren Trenary, Jefferson tp. W. H. Roettger, Liberty tp. Dr. Rawers, Marion tp. Jane An Rhoades, Ft. Recovery. Dr. W. P. Fishbaugh, Mendon. James Spriggs, Washington township.

Mrs. Carrie Symons, Rockford. J. C. Springer, Rockford. Mrs. Maggie Geiger, Mendon. Miss Lizzie Weis, St. Henry. Mrs. Loretta Birkmyer, Coldwater. Miss Ethel Johnson, Ft. Recovery. Walter Mersman, Celina. Mrs. W. C. Stubbs, Celina. Mrs. Pat Dugan, Celina. Mrs. John Schlosser, Celina. Mrs. Edgar Dull, Celina. Mrs. E. S. Philley, Celina. T. A. Weis, Celina. Henry Lennarz, Celina. C. D. Hierholzer, Celina. W. T. Palmer, Celina. John Mesarvey, Celina. Miss Mary Wesker, Celina. Dr. G. S. Johnston, Celina. Edgar Brookhart, Celina. Mrs. R. R. Wyckoff, Celina.

In addition to the above members the chairman Lawrence Schunck, secretary, Mrs. J. D. Johnson, and the treasurer Ira Crumpton serve as efficiency members.

Mrs. Johnson as secretary of the organization acted for an assistant and Mrs. E. J. Brookhart was chosen to assist her.

A meeting of the executive board is called for tomorrow, at the city hall, when further plans of the work will be taken up.

Do your bit.

IN CUPID'S DOMAIN

Leslie Loughridge Western Union Telegraph operator, of this city, and Miss Flo Ford, entrancing young belle of this city, were last Sunday morning united in marriage at the Evangelical church, Rev. Browns, officiating.

Mr. Loughridge is one of Celina's most widely known residents having served for years as operator at the Western Union office. He is a congenial and thrifty young man and enjoys the friendship of the community at large.

Miss Ford is one of our fairest and most accomplished young girls and for the past several months has been the efficient assistant in the telegraph office. She is a young lady of lovable personality and will make a faithful companion in the home.

The Democrat joins the many friends of the happy couple in wishing them future prosperity and success.

Dennis S. Springer, city mail carrier, of this city, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Springer, Center township and Miss Grace J. Reid, of Tennessee, were married at Cincinnati, last Tuesday.

Dennis left on his vacation last Monday, and when his name appeared in the marriage licenses, published in the Cincinnati papers, it was quite a surprise to his many friends in this city.

Denny as he is familiarly called is a Sergeant in Company K, Second Regiment State militia, and it was on his return from duty on the Mexican border that he became acquainted with his bride.

The numerous friends of the Sergeant are all in readiness to receive him on his return, and to welcome his entrancing bride to the Reservoir City.

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OLD GLORY

To Be Flung to Breeze at Patriotic Gathering

At Rockford Next Sunday Under Auspices of Red Cross Organization of That Place.

Rockford people are making preparation for a big patriotic gathering at that place next Sunday. The day's program, which will consist of a flag raising, patriotic addresses and music—both vocal and instrumental—will begin at 2 o'clock and is under the Rockford branch of the Mercer County Red Cross organization.

At a meeting at Rockford a week ago to-day plans were laid and arrangements made to purchase a steel flag pole, one that would be a permanent fixture in the town, and it was then the day's program was arranged.

Patriot speeches will feature the afternoon. The War Department has promised to send a prominent man, and Rev. Paul Marsh, a prominent Lutheran clergyman, a forceful and patriotic orator, who has been making the welkin ring over the two states, will deliver an address. Rev. L. E. Ames, of Rockford, will deliver a Red Cross oration. Several bands will furnish patriotic music, and Rockford Red Cross quartet will do the rest.

Prepare to attend. Celina should get busy and send a great crowd, which she no doubt will.

APPEAL

Made to Young Men to Fill Up Ranks Local Regiment

Instead of Waiting for Draft to Catch Them and Being Placed in Service Anywhere.

Hon. Ralph D. Cole, of Findlay, E. R. Carlton and Major John Harley, of Lima, interested in securing recruits for the Second Regiment O.N.G., were in town Tuesday to meet a number of our citizens and explain their mission.

The Second Regiment is made up of men from Northwestern Ohio counties, and many Mercer county boys are members, and there is naturally a local attachment for it. What the gentlemen wished to impress on our people, and particularly the young men liable to military duty, was the fact that those enlisting in the Second would have for comrades those whom they knew, that they would have officers who are known to most all, their relatives could keep better track of them, that the Red Cross workers looking after the welfare of the regiment will be made up from the same field, and many other things providing for their comfort. They pointed out most forcibly what those might expect who were drafted, for they could not tell in what service they might be placed or where, but certainly among strangers, and perhaps lost sight of by friends.

A meeting was held Wednesday night at the suggestion of the visitors but was poorly attended, owing probably to the brief notice given.

ANOTHER MEETING SATURDAY NIGHT

Prosecuting Attorney C. A. Stubbs has sent out cards to every registered man in the county to be present at the meeting to be held at the city hall tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock. Attorney Walter Jackson, of Lima, will be the principal speaker, with several other prominent men on the platform.

The object of the meeting is to explain the advantage of the enlistment over the conscription.

All patriots are urged to be present.

Any enlistment will be taken care of by Sergeant Ray Casteel, of this city, who has orders from Captain Howe, of Spencerville to do all in his power to help fill out the allotted number for the Second Regiment.

HUSBAND

Gets Tip and Catches Portland Man in Company With Wife Here—Lodged in Jail.

Mrs. Leslie Colson and Wm. Mallin, of Portland, were arrested at the home of Frank Muther, opposite the furniture factory on W. Wayne street, last night by Officer Hinders, on complaint made by the woman's husband.

Mrs. Colson has been employed in this city for the past three weeks at the Deisel-Wenmer cigar factory.

The husband asserts that the two have been intimate in the past, and when he was informed that Mallin had come to Celina yesterday, he immediately followed. Arriving here Mr. Colson secured the services of Officer Hinders and they proceeded to the Muther home.

Mrs. Colson, hearing the arrival of her husband and the officer, ran from her room, in which quarters it is claimed, Mallin was found in hiding. They were arrested and are now lodged in the county jail.

Mr. Colson is awaiting advice from the prosecutor, before further action in the case.



Some of the Gang Still Left